

Selectmen's Board Meeting Minutes
September 20, 2012

Call to Order: 6:30 PM

Present: David Abbott, Jonathan Villeneuve, David Reingardt

Approve consent Calendar:

A. Warrant # 34

- 1) Selectmen Villeneuve asked Selectmen Abbott where the funds were coming from to outfit the AVFD's newly acquired brush truck. Selectman Abbott informed him that they were taking it out of the AVFD's current budget and was running a current balance every week to make sure they didn't go over what was raised and appropriated at last March Town Meeting.
- 2) Selectmen reviewed and signed the updated Wiscasset Transfer Station contract for 2012-2013. It included user fees set for the contract year and also a graph showing the savings through mandatory recycling.
- 3) Selectmen reviewed the 2012 Tax commitment. The mill rate increased from .0203 to .0218. Selectmen discussed increases in both the municipal and school budgets as well as a lack of surplus this year to offset the increases. Selectmen Villeneuve suggested a graph comparing 2011 municipal budget to 2012 municipal budget to show where there were increases and other costs that can be controlled. Townsperson Michael Trask pointed out that some of the municipal budget increases were temporary.
- 4) Selectmen briefly discussed re-evaluation. The Town's currently certified at 80%. Selectmen Abbott pointed out that we only receive 80% of things like homestead reimbursement from the State because we are not valued at 100%. Townsperson Chris Cooper mentioned that many properties are overvalued and some of the "estates" in town are undervalued. Selectmen agreed to have re-evaluation a reoccurring agenda item.
- 5) Townsperson Michael Trask told Selectmen that Hollywood BLVD was in need of repair.
- 6) Chris Cooper of Clear Pine Carpentry presented his estimate for the replacement of the Town Office picture window, exterior sill and roofline. Selectmen gave the go ahead for the work not to exceed \$1,500.00

Adjourn: 9pm

Respectfully Submitted

Amy Warner Town Clerk

David Abbott

Jonathan Villeneuve

David Reingardt